

**Frankenmuth School District
Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 10, 2025
6:00 PM
E.F. Rittmueller Middle School
965 E. Genesee St.
Media Center**

CALL TO ORDER

President Brandon Muller called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance and silent meditation followed.

Persons in Attendance:

Board Members Present: Baumgartner, Bierlein, Hubbard, Maurer, McClellan, Muller, Woodke

Board Members Absent:

Administrators/Directors: Chase, Clark, Diegel, Germain, Jaworski, Schuler, Vislosky

Approval of Agenda

Hearing no objection, President Muller approved the agenda as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Colin Maurer and supported by Zak McClellan that the consent agenda be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda contained the following items:

- Minutes from Regular Meeting on October, 13, 2025

CELEBRATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

EFR Students of the Month

Josh Chase recognized the EFR students of the month: 5th grader Aspen Miller, 6th grader Allie Lonsway, 7th grader Leila Daenzer, and 8th grader Cooper Yeager.

MSBO Chief Technology Certification

JoLynn Clark congratulated Technology Director Ashley Calliotte on earning certification as a Chief Technology Officer through the Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO). This certification reflects a high degree of academic and professional preparation. Ashley's certification is valid through June 30, 2030.

MiMTSS Data Utilization Recognition

JoLynn Clark congratulated List Elementary for earning the MTSS Data Utilization Award for their effective collection and use of MTSS fidelity data in the 2024-25 area of Reading. Michigan's Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) is a framework and Technical Assistance Center that supports schools and districts in implementing data-driven practices to improve student outcomes in learning and behavior.

REPORTS

2025 Summer School Reflection

Tosha Miller, Kayln Bittner and Ann Lindow discussed the 2025 summer school program. They informed the Board about its successes and planned changes. Notable achievements include full classes of enthusiastic students, hands-on learning field trips, and no costs for parents, thanks to a grant. Currently Justin Diegel and Margie Johnston are working on grant submission for summer school in 2026. Tosha expressed her gratitude to the District for its continued support of the summer learning camp, the teachers, and for applying for grants to enhance the program.

AI Use in List Elementary

Angie Zimmerman discussed and presented the innovative apps and uses for using AI in the classroom. Angie mentioned AI can help identify specific learning needs for students. While the AI apps cannot decipher and deconstruct as a teacher can, it provides excitement, real time feedback and opportunities for students to reflect and correct what they are working on.

Robotics Club

Robotics instructor, and Square One representative, Gordie Culver presented the first year of Robotics club which involved students using drones and robotics to complete real-world projects thanks to the 99h grant. There were 24 students involved in Mini IVD (Innovative Vehicle Design), Drones IVD and Autonomous IVD which led the teams around the state to various challenges, experiences and competitions. Interest has increased, and they are expecting over 30 students to be involved in the 2026 session.

Future School Trips

Zack Reimus provided an overview of the upcoming 2026 Washington, D.C. trip, outlining the advantages and disadvantages of traveling by air versus by bus. He noted the potential challenges and unpredictability associated with air travel compared to the reliability of bus transportation, which is the preferred option among students.

Chelsea VanderGraaff shared a presentation highlighting the previous Disney band trip and discussed preliminary plans for the 2027 trip. She also presented a video created by Disney featuring footage of our students and band performing the background music from *Moana*.

LiveSchool at E.F. Rittmueller Middle School

Josh Chase and Luke Kanine discussed EFR's behavior management platform LiveSchool which uses a system of points and rewards to track, manage and analyze student behavior.

NEOLA Fall 2025 Updates [Policy 0131.1]

The Board conducted a first reading of the following policy revision recommendations by NEOLA:

- **PO 4162 – Controlled Substance and Alcohol Policy for CMV Drivers** (Language changes “return to work” requirement)
- **PO 4430 – Leaves of Absence** (*tabled in May* to wait for law clarification on employee absence)
- **PO 5120 – Assignment within District** (Changes made for Title IX compliance due to Supreme Court ruling)
- **PO 5330 – Use of Medications** (*tabled in May* – Added definitions of items; added storing and administering of prescribed and non-prescribed medications)
- **PO 5517.01 – Bullying and Aggressive Behavior** (Definition of “bullying” has been revised to include cyber-bullying)

- **PO 7540.02 – Digital Content and Accessibility** (Changes made to meet Title II requirements for individuals with disabilities)
- **PO 8300 – Continuity of Organizational Operations Plan** (Revised for the additional of language regarding Cybersecurity)
- **PO 8305 – Informational Security** (same as PO 8300)

Superintendent's Report

JoLynn Clark informed the Board of a professional development seminar she attended on *Leading Deeper Learning*, the focus of which was engaging students in transformational learning and connecting it to real world experiences and opportunities. The reports during tonight's meeting were provided to demonstrate some of the diverse programs within Frankenmuth School District that do just that. These and other programs already underway emphasize the district's commitment to fostering transformational learning experiences for students.

Calendar

The calendar of upcoming District events was shared and discussed.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

Monthly Financial Report

Angela Germain presented bills payable and commented on a few expenditures. Moved by Zak McClellan and supported by Micah Baumgartner to approve the submission of the bills as

presented. Motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:34 PM, it was moved by Zak McClellan and supported by Lisa Woodke that the Board move to closed session for the purposes of collective bargaining. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 7:57 PM.

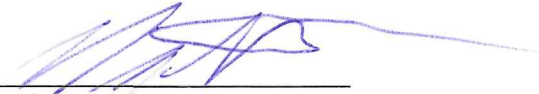
AROUND THE TABLE

Board members discussed event and activity highlights of the District and commented on their personal involvement in the school, community, and Board development.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, it was moved by Colin Maurer and supported by Christie Bierlein that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Micah Baumgartner
Secretary

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